I-1. arcmenu

1.0 General Information

The arcmenu program creates a menu system that allows access to most of the programs available in the RFC Archive System (RAX). It is a simple text based menu program written in C. This application can be run by any user.

1.1 Enhancements/Bug Fixes/Changes

Build OB7.2

This application was recompiled because of the upgrade of the OS in ob7.2. In addition, the menu files were updated to reflect changes in applications due to the move from Informix to Postgres.

Build OB6

Enhancements

- Added new shefdecoders menu with five options
- Added new option to the main menu for arcnav application

Build OB4

Enhancements

- Added new admin menu with five options
- Added new option to the data processing menu

2.0 Configuration Files

The menu system for the archive db system was designed to be simple and configurable. When the user types in the name of the menu system, i.e. arcmenu, the program searches the apps_defaults system to find the directory where the menu files are stored. Currently there are five menu files and these files can be found on the RAX in the directory /rfc_arc/cfg/menu. The files are called arc.menu, dataproc.menu, otherdb.menu, shef.menu and admin.menu.

3.0 User How-To

The user accesses the arcmenu program with the following steps.

- 1) open a terminal window
- 2) ssh ax
- 3) . /rfc_arc/lib/rax.profile
- 4) arcmenu

This will bring up the main menu as shown in Figure 1. The sub-menus are shown in Figures 2 thru 6.

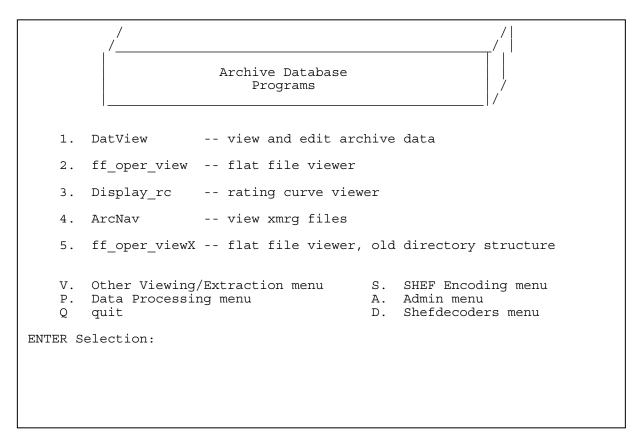


Figure 1. Main Menu

Figure 2. Other Viewing/Extraction Menu

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1. dcparse -- output SHEF from DATACARD

2. nrcsdlyparse -- output SHEF from NRCS historical fmt

3. usgsdlyparse -- output SHEF from USGS daily fmt

M. Main menu
P. Data Processing menu A. Admin menu
Q. quit

ENTER Selection:
ENTER Selection:
ENTER Selection:
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Figure 3. SHEF Encoding Menu

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------> Data Processing <-----
   1. process_precip -- process precip (PC -> PP)
   2. process_stage -- process stage (height -> flow, storage)
   3. process temp -- process temperature (TA -> TA, TX, TN)
   4. process sw -- process swe
   5. process flow -- process flow
   6. transfer_txn -- (TX,TN -> TX,TN)
   7. transfer precip -- (PP -> PP)
   8. slope to stage == translate slope measurements to stages
   M. Main menu
                                    S. SHEF Encoding menu
   V. Other Viewing/Extraction menu A. Admin menu
                                    D. Shefdecoders menu
   Q.
       quit
ENTER Selection:
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Figure 4. Data Processing Menu

Figure 5. DB & System Admin Menu

Figure 6. Shefdecoders menu

For this submenu, a new script called status_decoders was created. This is the script that is run by option 1. The script is located in the directory /rfc_arc/scripts/decoders and simply executes the command "ps -ef | grep shef".

4.0 Editing the Menu Files

The menu system for the archive db system was designed to be simple and configurable. When the user types in the name of the menu system, i.e. arcmenu, the program searches the apps-defaults system to find the directory where the menu files are stored. The initial menu is called arc.menu. Here is an earlier version of the /rfc-arc/cfg/menu/arc.menu file:

listmenu shef.menu

! m | listmenu arc.menu|

! s

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to stdout
# the ! lines can be anywhere in the file (e.g. grouped at the bottom)
                       Archive Database
                           Programs
    1. DatView -- view and edit archive data
       ff_oper_view -- flat file viewer
       Display_rc -- rating curve viewer
   V. Other Viewing/Extraction menu
                                          S. SHEF Encoding menu
   P. Data Processing menu
       quit
#
#
! 1 | datview | | |
     /rfc_arc/bin/fam/ff_oper_view.tcl | | |
! 2
! 3 | display_rc | | |
! q |
     exit
! v
     listmenu otherdb.menu
     listmenu dataproc.menu
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The menu program will read this file and write to stdout any line that does not begin with an exclamation point or a pound sign. Any line that begins with an exclamation point is a menu instruction consisting of four fields separated by the pipe symbol. The 1st field is the menu choice, the 2nd field is the program name (a full pathname may be used if desired), the 3rd field is command line arguments for the program, and the 4th field is a wait indicator (so the menu will ask for a carriage return (CR) after the program has completed and before clearing the screen). The listmenu command in the 2nd field is a special instruction to the menu program that directs it to list another menu. Sub-menus may be implemented in this fashion, and there is no limit to the levels of sub-menus you may have. Here is a sample sub-menu file:

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1. process_precip -- process precip (PC -> PP)
2. process_stage -- process stage (height -> flow,storage)
3. process_temp -- process temperature (TA -> TA,TX,TN)
4. process_sw -- process swe
5. process_flow -- process flow
6. transfer_txn -- (TX,TN -> TX,TN)
7. transfer_precip -- (PP -> PP)
```

```
S. SHEF Encoding menu
   V. Other Viewing/Extraction menu
   Q. quit
#
#
! 1 | process_precip | | |
! 2 | process_stage | | |
! 3 | process_temp | | |
! 4 | process_sw |
! 5 | process_flow |
! 6 | transfer_txn | | |
! 7 | transfer_precip | | |
! m | listmenu arc.menu|
! v | listmenu otherdb.menu|
! s | listmenu shef.menu|
! q | exit |
```

Note that entry points are defined to return to the main menu or to list other menus. Also, the pathname of the program may be omitted in a menu config file if the path is in the user's PATH env variable.

5.0 Troubleshooting Information

If for some reason the application fails, contact the RFC Support Group.